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VNA Health Care Holds Grand Opening for New Villa Park Clinic

New facility will expand VNA's services to the Villa Park community, reaching 5,000 patients in next two years

Villa Park, IL - Today, VNA Health Care, the largest Community Health Center in the Chicago suburbs, held a grand opening and ribbon-cutting ceremony for its <u>new health center in Villa Park</u>. The new facility at 101 E. St. Charles Road includes 12 rooms for medical exams, a wellness classroom and kitchen, a laboratory and nursing stations. The VNA clinic offers comprehensive primary care services for all ages, lab testing and immunizations, community programs and wellness classes. At this new location, VNA will provide preventive care, sick care, and chronic condition management to thousands of new patients, including low-income patients who might otherwise not have access to care. They anticipate serving an estimated 5,000 unduplicated patients over the next 24 months.

At the grand opening and ribbon-cutting ceremony today, VNA President and CEO Linnea Windel was joined by VNA Health Care Board Treasurer Mike Shales, Villa Park Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Kyle Schnettler and other distinguished guests, community partners, board members, and VNA staff to celebrate the new facility and recognize the impact this new health center will have for the community.

"VNA Health Care is happy to officially open our doors in Villa Park, an area where thousands of residents are eligible for our high-quality, convenient, and affordable health care," said Linnea Windel, President and CEO of VNA Health Care. "We're grateful to all of our partners and the Villa Park community for making this clinic possible, and we look forward to continuing to build upon our new relationships and help our patients thrive."

The low-income population in Villa Park and its surrounding communities is 14,000, with just 2,500 of those individuals currently served by Community Health Centers like VNA. While some of the remaining 11,500 may receive care in other ways, many are not receiving care at all. In order to address these concerns and increase health care access, VNA Health Care in Villa Park is conveniently located on a busy main thoroughfare with parking and bus route access, helping to remove the transportation barriers patients may face.

"Healthier communities are thriving communities, which is why the Villa Park Chamber of Commerce is grateful to have the opportunity to welcome VNA Health Care to Villa Park," said Villa Park Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Kyle Schnettler. "Our residents now have access to top-quality health and social services that will improve lives and promote wellness throughout our communities. We are thankful for VNA's work and are thrilled to see them open their doors."

The clinic offers morning, daytime, evening and weekend hours with same-day appointments and walk-in hours to allow greater flexibility for individuals juggling work, child care, and other demands. Like many of its other locations, this VNA facility offers services in English and Spanish, with translation services available

where needed for other languages. VNA accepts commercial insurance, Medicare, and Medicaid, and has a sliding-fee scale for those without insurance.

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About VNA Health Care

VNA Health Care is the largest Community Health Center (also known as a Federally Qualified Health Center) in the Chicago suburbs. VNA provides comprehensive primary care, home care, and health and wellness programs to nearly 90,000 patients annually and has served people regardless of insurance status or ability to pay for more than 100 years. VNA strives to improve the standard of health for all with high-quality, accessible, and compassionate care delivered in VNA health centers, community settings, and patient homes. To learn more, visit www.vnahealth.com.